

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE  
PATENT OPERATION

APPLICANT	FOLKMAR, JAN	EXAMINER	Sandy, Robert John
APPLICATION NO.	10/619,320	ART UNIT	3677
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The Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20232

Mailstop Non-fee amendment

Sir

Applicant responds hereby to the Office Action dated July 1, 2004 for which a period of three months was set, whereby a response was due on October 1, 2004. Applicant filed a true copy of the accompanying response on October 1, 2004 by way of facsimile transmission, and it appears from examiner Sandy that while pages from such response were received at the relevant time, the communication in its totality was so garbled that it could not be considered to constitute a complete response. It is believed that under the circumstances of the case, an appropriate remedy would have been to have granted an extension of time within which to re-transmit the response without penalty, and without having to have recourse to a petition. Since such extension has not been proffered, applicant has adopted the most expedient course of action and a petition for an extension of time of one month accompanies the instantly filed response. It is requested that the application be amended as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 12 delete "5,082,677" and insert ---5,820,677 (Dorman et al).

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel all pages thereof and insert three new pages therefor as submitted herewith.